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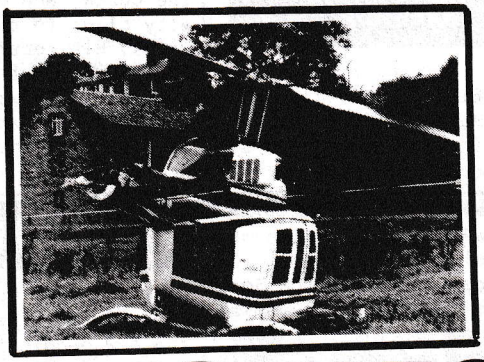

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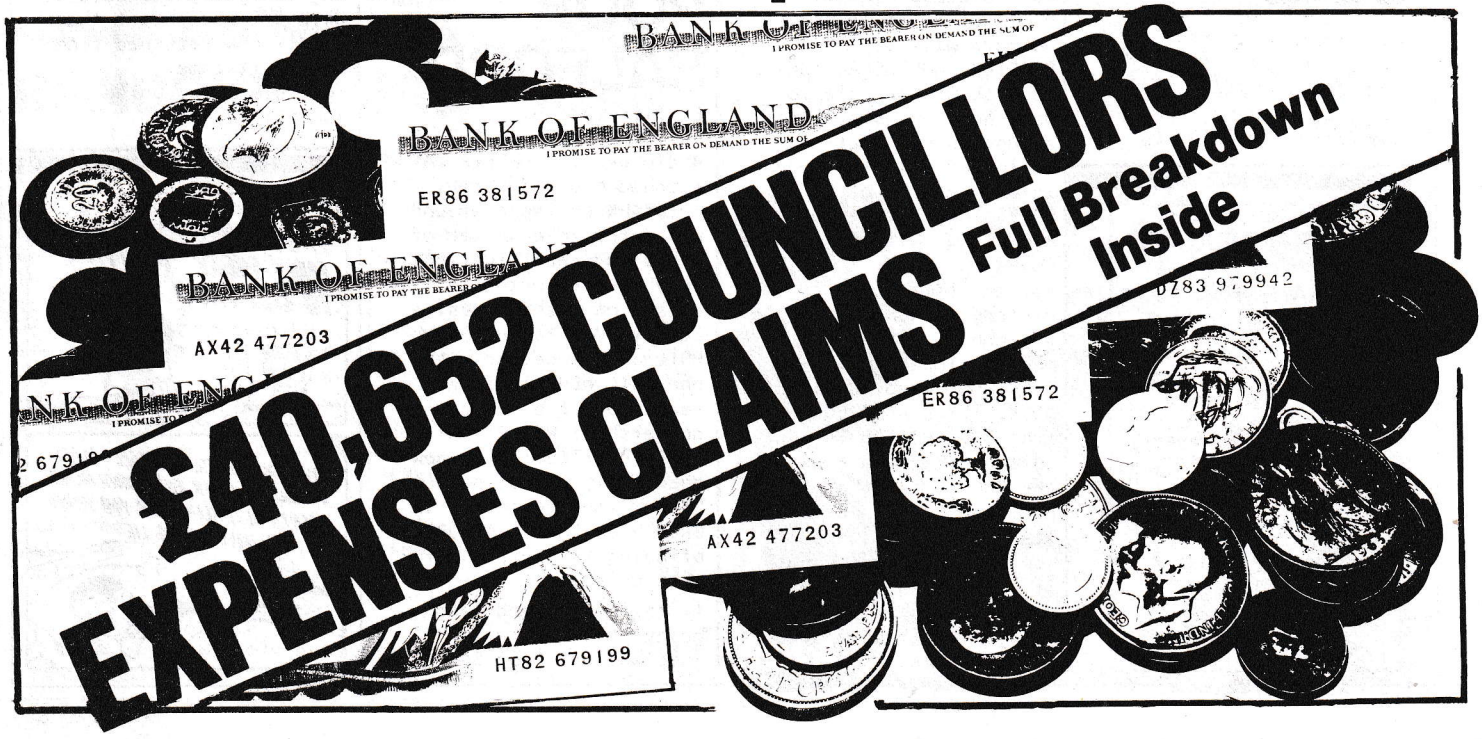
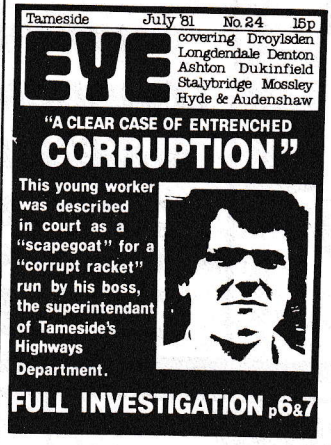
The Disturbing NEW facts about Tameside's Helicopter Millionaire!



HIGHWAY ROBBERY

TAMESIDE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT sacked a DROYLSDEN labourer last year for delivering used flagstones to a private house. In Court, the COUNCIL claimed their used materials are valuable.
But now EYE can report just how "valuable" these materials are - last year "SALES OF STORES" to the public by HIGHWAYS DEPT. raised a magnificent £2421 and 74 pence! Clearly HIGHWAYS want it both ways at once.
For, if these 'stores' are not really worth anything, why was it necessary to sack young JOHN STELFOX? After all he was only carrying out an order from his supervisor. On the other hand, if, as the COUNCIL claim, they really *are* valuable, then why was so little cash raised? Could it just be that JOHN STELFOX was simply a "scapegoat" for a "corrupt racket" run by his boss? As alleged by STELFOX's solicitor JULIAN GOLDSTONE in Court *and reported extensively in EYE 24 last year.*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"A CLEAR CASE OF ENTRENCHED CORRUPTION"
This young worker was described in court as a "scapegoat" for a "corrupt racket" run by his boss, the superintendant of Tameside's Highways Department.
FULL INVESTIGATION p6&7

WINK, WINK.

The HARE and HOUNDS HOTEL on WERNETH LOW, HYDE, is *the* place to go for a quiet drink. In fact, if the landlord, WALTER MANSFIELD, has anything to do with it, you'll have a very quiet drink.
For WALTER's pub is adorned with a notice informing couples they mustn't canoodle or otherwise misbehave. If they do, a voice from the heavens orders them to leave - as eagle-eyed WALTER bellows into the microphone he keeps at his corner table. WALTER's pride and joy is a picture of himself with the QUEEN, and other Royalty cling to the pub walls. His recent ad in the REPORTER was quite specific - he wanted a middle-aged barmaid to live in. He runs a tight ship.

Worried

TAMESIDE WIVES PROJECT which runs hostels for battered women and their children, used to be run by a committee, the majority of whom were *men.*
Recent elections to the committee saw an influx of women, so that they now make up 50% of the numbers. But none of this will help Councillor FRANK RUFFLEY, who re-appointed himself the PROJECT's chairman. For FRANK has got into difficulties with the neighbour of one of the hostels. She's driven him to distraction with complaints of noise and disturbance coming from next door. In the hurly-burly, FRANK may even have hinted her house could be bought and made into a hostel. But where the cash would come from is anybody's guess. Whatever happened, FRANK's now worried he's going to be sued.

EAR ACHE

Well, you can't accuse the COUNCIL of throwing too much of your money away on the "Dance Band" that accompanied tired and emotional Councillors in the Cha Cha at last year's MAYORAL INSTALLATION DINNER.
They got TAMESIDE's answer to GLENN MILLER, the one and only WALLY MACKENZIE, for the princely sum of £140.
We understand that the Borough's Talent Scouts are already out trying to persuade ABBA to come along for next year's session and play Tea For Two for a fiver each and as many inebriated speeches as they can stand.
Incidentally, the total bill for last year's nosh and piss-up came to £1,051 .

NICE WORK

NIGEL McLEOD, Queen's Counsel, must be one of the few people to make money out of the CHEMSTAR explosion last year. For shortly after the factory went up, a legal puzzle cropped up which was evidently quite beyond TAMESIDE's own legal people.
In stepped learned NIGEL, with a "Counsel's opinion" Back came a cheque for £250. Nice work if you can get it.

BLESS HIM

A JOURNALISTS lot is not a happy one.
Ask MAURICE KING, ASHTONs elder statesman hack.
There was MAURICE, busy earning his crust for THE REPORTER, tramping the streets of TAMESIDE.
On his way to meet a 'contact' MAURICE sneezed.
So great was the nasal eruption, that his den - tures shot out down a gutter. After suffering indignity for several days EYE can report that all is now returned from whence it came.
Terrible life, being a journalist.

Bloodless Coup

A dramatic coup has swept the old guard off TAMESIDE COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL, leaving a younger committee dominated by the LABOUR PARTY and community activists.

TAMESIDE's C.H.C. used to qualify as THE WORLD's MOST USELESS BORING MEETING - no longer.
No more will EDITH PROCTOR, AUDENSHAW TORY COUNCILLOR, be able to wave her bank statement around in CHC meetings; no longer will the ludicrous remarks of GEE CROSS TORY COUNCILLOR JOHN BELL fill the minutes book.
For the first time in its history the CHC is peopled by members determined to make an impact on the Tory-dominated local HEALTH AUTHORITY. ANNE CORRIE from BROADBOTTOM is now in the Chair and expects the CHC to take "a more positive role". Given its past record this won't be difficult, but it remains to see whether they'll be able to give the old watchdog a decent set of teeth.

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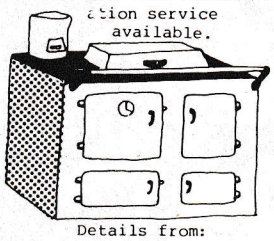
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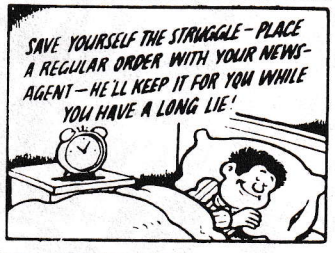
POOR SALFORD

Earlier this year, the AUDENSHAW car and C.B. Radio dealer, PHILIP JAY watched his old firm AUTOBAHN collapse around his ears, in a welter of debts and recriminations. They were reported in detail on these pages.
But by 30th March 1982, PHIL JAY, together with one ANIL MEHTA, had already formed a new car dealership: WORLD CAR IMPORTS LIMITED. He is now cheerfully operating a "grey" imports set-up in BROUGHTON LANE, SALFORD, bringing in cheaper European cars.
If there's a band-wagon going past, JAY will jump aboard. Poor SALFORD.



ASTRO~ nomical

Surely a candidate for the GUINESS BOOK OF RECORDS (TAMESIDE ISSUE) most expensive lawn section is the verdant, but artificial expanse of ASTRO-TURF to be found in the confines of our wonderful new Town Hall.

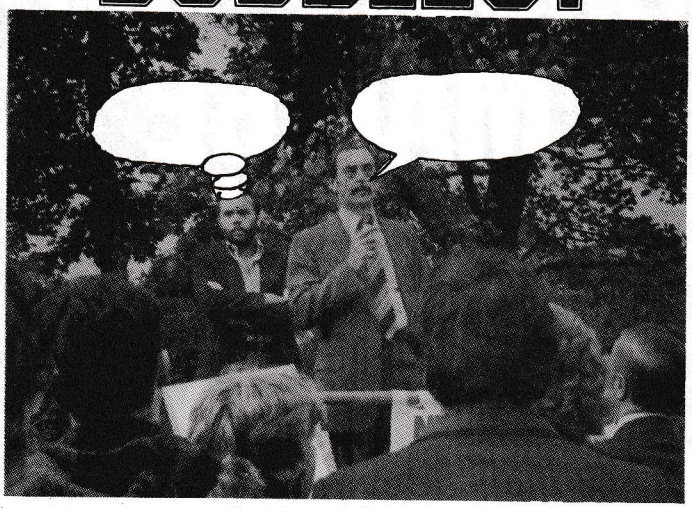
The bill for this was an *ASTRO*nomical £6,510.01. (including £819.44 VAT) with 4% off for paying up promptly.
This seems a high price for rate-payers to fork out just to please the eyes of civil servants, and gratify the wild ambitions of KING DAVID of TAMESIDE, our high-flying CHIEF EXECUTIVE who sees the new Town Hall as his very own CAMELOT. We understand the idea of a moat was only abandoned when it was realised that GMT would need amphibious buses to navigate Wellington Road.

on behalf of an SDP candidate at the last May elections.
Once an ASHTON Councillor, before "TAMESIDE" existed, SAMSON HARRISON's attempts to even become a LABOUR *candidate* since then have been singularly unsuccessful. Maybe he'll have better luck with the opposition.

CHRONIC

That godforsaken Andrex substitute, the ADVERTISER has hit trouble in the neighbouring BOROUGH OF OLDHAM. Just one week before the first ADVERTISERS were due to land on OLDHAM's doormats, the OLDHAM CHRONICLE beat them to it with their equally dreadful free sheet. Now the invaders are finding advertising hard to come by.

BUBBLES!



"BUBBLES" is back.
Here we see a stern COUNCIL Leader ROY OLDHAM addressing an expectant throng on the "DAY OF ACTION". He is flanked by thoughtful henchman MIKE RAWCLIFFE of N.U.P.E. We invite readers to provide words and thoughts for these two gentlemen of the Left.
Entries to reach us before 20th of OCTOBER at P.O.BOX 30, HYDE, SK14 3JL. The best one will win a 12 Months subscription to TAMESIDE EYE - and a free badge.

SAMSON

SAMSON HARRISON has just been expelled from the local LABOUR PARTY. By the same Branch that has voted against the expulsions proposed by MICHAEL FOOT & CO.
But ASHTON CONSTITUENCY LABOUR PARTY threw SAMSON out for a very different crime to the one FOOT has in mind. Put simply, SAMSON canvassed

Golden Handshake

DR. ALAN CHITTY, the new broom who recently swept in as PRINCIPAL at TAME--SIDE COLLEGE, probably found less in the coffers than he expected. For CHITTY's predecessor, MR JONES, and a few other older lecturers, were paid handsomely by the COLLEGE when they took early retirement last year. A glance at the COLLEGE accounts shows they spent £39,583.62 on golden handshakes.

MAYORS BOMB

"...So, thank God they dropped the bomb on Hiroshima! "

That was the verdict of the MAYOR OF TAMESIDE, DROYLSDEN COUNCILLOR PHIL WARNE, at a C.N.D. meeting held recently in DROYLSDEN LABOUR CLUB. A few National Front thugs present clapped and cheered, local Labourites cringed.
But PHIL went on. If *they* hadn't wiped out Hiroshima *they* would have sent young PHIL to invade Japan, along with thousands of other squaddies. Then, with all the grace of a bull rhino leaping into its favourite mud bath, our PHIL ploughed on. Nuclear submarines, apparently, "won us the Falklands war!" More Labour agony; more cheers from DROYLSDEN's little men. LEE CHADWICK, HAUGHTON GREEN hotelier and CND's speaker that night, must be wondering exactly where this leaves TAMESIDE LABOUR PARTY on the nuclear disarmament issue.

HANCOCK'S HALF HOUR

PICCADILLY RADIO's ace interviewer JIM HANCOCK comes across the air-waves as a calm, smooth talker.
But behind the scenes all is chaos. JIM is given to scrapping months of preparation for a programme, just minutes before he's due on the air, in favour of frantically typing up his notes himself. Equally, he'll alter the order in which items are to be broadcast *after* the programme has commenced.
DENNIS BOTTOMLEY, TAMESIDE HOUSING DIRECTOR, found all this out at first hand.He arrived at a HANCOCK interview to find the whole programme changed.

Due on at 6 p.m., he had to hang around until 6.45; when the jingles were blaring, the balding JIM dashed out of the studio to welcome ALLAN ROBERTS, M.P. for *BOOTLE* - DENNIS was told to expect TOM PENDRY; finally, it transpired that HANCOCK had been unable to get anyone to come along from MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL, the subject under debate!
DENNIS had come for an hour of fireworks about MANCHESTER's Council Housing in TAMESIDE. He spent ten minutes letting ALLAN ROBERTS woffle about LABOUR Policy.
To complete the bizarre picture, ROBERTS was sporting a magnificent black eye!

SHOULD THIS MAN BE ALLOWED TO FLY?

EYE has uncovered some disturbing new facts which did not come to light at FEBRUARY's PUBLIC INQUIRY into HELICO, the "accident-prone" helicopter operation run by MOSSLEY businessman, LEON HOWARD.

Shortly before it crashed at TAMESIDE's CANALS FESTIVAL in JULY 1981, G-WARM - HELICO's $500,500 BELL LONG RANGER helicopter - was serviced by C & K HELICOPTERS of BLACKPOOL.
As a matter of routine, in checking out a faulty part in the fuel system, the fuel tank was drained. It was found to contain so much debris that C & K decided not to put this fuel back into the tank. Instead they put it into a drum labelled "WATER METHANOL".
When HOWARD arrived to collect the aircraft, he was told about the contaminated fuel. He took it away in the drum.
The next time it was seen it was on the back of HELICO's VW Pickup from which G-WARM was fuelled during the ill-fated CANALS FESTIVAL operation.

Later a HELICO car towed the wreckage back to MOSSLEY. The company were given permission to undertake *their own* inquiry, as the accident was not thought to be sufficiently serious to warrant an official probe. *But HOWARD's staff insisted there must be an official report.*
The officials' Investigation duly reported that inadequate filtration in the fuelling of G-WARM had been the cause of the fuel starvation, and the crash.
Reliable sources state that the aircraft had regularly been fuelled from 45 Gallon drums with no filters.
The CHIEF PILOT at the time, GRAHAM NEILGREAVE, had bought a Litre Pump with a glass bowl type filter, but by then the damage was done. The dirt was in the tank.
Most of the unfortunate crash victims got no compensation, and did not even get their £5 fare back.
Just one week after G-WARM crashed, HELICO was booked to fly yet more Joy-Rides at another event in NOTTINGHAM. HOWARD proposed that another HELICO machine, G-ICRU, a smaller BELL JET RANGER, should make the trip.
PETER BUCKSEY, the new HELICO CHIEF PILOT, and successor to GRAHAM NIELGREAVE, having inspected the aircraft, had grounded it. Amongst other reasons, he was concerned over a defective radio.
Despite this, HOWARD was determined that the booking should be carried out. As a result there was a row between him and BUCKSEY, which ended with BUCKSEY's resignation.
This left HELICO without a CHIEF PILOT. Under the CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY regulations, they should have cancelled the booking.
However, HOWARD found someone prepared to fly G-ICRU, and it set off for NOTTINGHAM.
It never arrived!
A flashing warning light forced them to come down in a field, only part of the way there.
G-WARM, the HELICO "flagship" was bought new in the UNITED STATES. LEON HOWARD had it shipped to the U.K. in a container, which belonged to LEON's space heating firm, WARMCO. Unfortunately, the $\$\frac{1}{2}$ Million machine was not tied down properly. When HOWARD unpacked his new toy, he found the tail boom so badly damaged that it had to be completely replaced by ALAN MANN HELICOPTERS of CHOBHAM in SURREY.
G-ICRU was bought second-hand from an AMERICAN Water Engineer. It had 5,000 flying hours on the clock, but no log cards were available for many of its parts. Engineers employed by HELICO tried hard to get hold of these cards which record the hours flown by the parts in question. But they never arrived.
At FEBRUARY's Public Inquiry, HOWARD produced witnesses who suggested that HELICO provided a vital service to local businessman, and that their machines were essential to NORWEB in their constant search for damaged power lines.
Our sources suggest that HELICO's machines are used almost exclusively for flying lucrative Joy-rides up and down the country.
G-WARM's final Joy-ride could have ended in tragedy. The power failure occurred during its landing approach. If it had happened 20 seconds earlier, the whirling rotors could have scythed down hundreds of festival-goers.
LEON HOWARD described the crash as "Bad luck". We say it was probably one of the greatest pieces of Good Luck he ever had.

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Manchester evicts families

~ but the rent was being paid

If the rent's being paid, you would think the landlord might leave you in peace. Not so, MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL, who have recently evicted families living on their TAMESIDE housing estates in a particularly underhand way. The result was hardship for the families, whilst both TAMESIDE and MANCHESTER ratepayers picked up the tab.

The tenants on MANCHESTER COUNCIL housing estates in CARRBROOK, HATTERSLEY, and HAUGHTON GREEN, have enough problems with their landlord as it is: damp, poor or non-existent heating, structural faults, have all been reported in EYE and elsewhere.

But now MANCHESTER's housing chiefs have come up with a plan for keeping everyone on their toes: evictions, even as the rent is being paid. EYE knows of three cases where this happened recently.

CASE A involved a woman who had got into difficulties with her rent and fallen behind. The MANCHESTER technique is to take a tenant to the County Court. There the Court will settle an amount which should be re-paid each week.

In this case the amount was £2 per week on top of the normal rent.

The tenant was on Supplementary Benefit at the time; no-one suggested that it was possible to have the rent paid by the DHSS directly to the COUNCIL - a system known as "Rent Direct". The Court case was in January 1981. By May, the tenant went onto Rent Direct.

But the DHSS would only agree to pay MANCHESTER £1.20 per week on top of the rent, towards the arrears.

This state of affairs continued until July this year. Then, without telling the tenant what was going on, MANCHESTER went back to the Court. There they claimed that the original Court Order of £2 was not being adhered to. The Court gave MANCHESTER permission to evict.

But for a tenant to go on Rent Direct, all 3 parties have to agree - the tenant, the DHSS, and the landlord.

And now that the tenant has been evicted, it will please MANCHESTER tenants and ratepayers to learn that the COUNCIL will never recover the rent arrears! If they had let her stay, they would - albeit slowly - have got the whole lot back.

CASE B was similar, but in this instance the re-payment of arrears was settled out of Court. After getting into some difficulties on the rent, the tenant came to an arrangement about paying the COUNCIL back. One day she was too ill to go to the Rent Office and pay.

The COUNCIL's computer immediately told the housing officers that she had missed a payment - and a Court summons was issued immediately.

Threatened with eviction the tenant was both angry and afraid. At the hearing, it was decided to suspend the Eviction Notice.

But now the tenant has the permanent threat of eviction hanging over her, and is also being made to pay the legal costs of about £40 on top. MANCHESTER chose to ignore the fact that the week after she had missed a rent payment, she paid TWO weeks rent and re-payments to catch up!

Unlike the first case, this tenant is not now homeless. The same is not true for the family below.

CASE C concerns an example of total mismanagement of their housing by MANCHESTER COUNCIL. It has left a family homeless quite unnecessarily, and caused TAMESIDE HOUSING AID a major headache.

In this instance the trouble started nearly nine years ago. Again a tenant had got into rent arrears, and again the matter ended up in a Court, in 1975.

For the next seven years the family tried to keep up with both the rent, and the re-payments - to no avail.

Duly, in July this year, MANCHESTER went to Court. The suspended Court Order hanging over from 1975 was actioned, and the family were sent notice to quit. In fact, the BAILIFF came round personally to tell them.

This was the first the family knew about the matter. As with CASE A, they had no idea that MANCHESTER had been to Court. Lawyers have suggested to EYE that this is against "natural justice". A case is heard of direct concern to a tenant without them even knowing it's on, let alone being present.

In this case, the man behind the decision to evict was JOHN TAYLOR, brought up to the HATTERSLEY Rent Office from MANCHESTER Town Hall.

But then it seemed as if all was not lost. The local manager, MARTIN CURRY, went round to see the family, and they went onto Rent Direct. They were once again paying back an amount agreed by MANCHESTER. They were obviously relieved, thinking that the eviction notice must have been withdrawn.

Rent Direct started on August 9th. On 24th August the family were evicted.

A furious, if not amazed, TAMESIDE HOUSING Dept. found they had another homeless family on their hands. They are now living in GIBSON TERRACE, ASHTON - the COUNCIL's excellent new homeless family unit.

MANCHESTER tenants who live in TAMESIDE have no way of influencing how their landlord behaves: they are disenfrachised. Behind the scenes, EYE can report that a blazing row between the two departments is going on. So far MANCHESTER deny it is their policy to write off rent arrears by evicting. Less and less people believe it.

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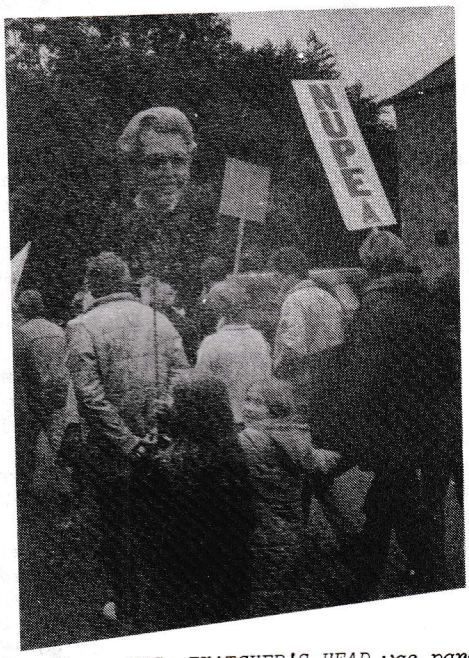

EVEN THE PATIENTS turned up! Support for the march came from local youth workers; engineers; firemen, who came in uniform; various political parties and groups, although TAMESIDE Tories were not officially represented; parents, with young children in prams; unemployed people. Clearly, everyone understood the great difficulty that health workers have in taking any form of industrial action...

Notably absent was the newly-appointed CHAIRMAN of TAMESIDE HEALTH AUTHORITY, LADY CHRISTINE KENYON. According to one union official, MIKE RAWCLIFFE, she was off swanning round PARIS. On a more serious note it would have been interesting to see TAMESIDE GENERAL HOSPITAL Consultants out in force, supporting the people without whom they could do nothing. Perhaps they were too busy with their Private Patients at the TAMESIDE PRIVATE MEDICAL CENTRE

NURSES AND OTHER HEALTH WORKERS WERE AT THE VERY FRONT OF THE MARCH. But only one health worker was allowed to speak at the rally afterwords, and he was a union official. In this and many other aspects, the whole event was quite traditional. M.P.s and local Labour leaders were all given preference over the actual people bearing the brunt of the dispute.

MRS. THATCHER'S HEAD was paraded on the end of a stick... A little grisly perhaps, but there are plenty who don't think so. Feeling over the treatment meted out to the Health Workers was running very high.

So high, that LEADER of the COUNCIL, ROY OLDHAM, was moved to order those TAMESIDE COUNCIL workers who didn't go on strike for the afternoon to stop looking out of the windows of the TOWN HALL, as we all assembled in the car park opposite. If they insisted on ignoring their union NALGO's vote in favour of an afternoon protest, ROY raged, they may as well do some b****y work! ROY despatched a striking NALGO member into the TOWN HALL to convey this message to the gawping onlookers, who had all crossed a picket line to enter the building.

THESE NALGO MEMBERS came out on strike, whilst others didn't. But the TOWN HALL was very nearly shut down for the whole day. BILL DOWNEND, the caretaker, was instructed by his union, GENERAL and MUNICIPAL, not to cross a NALGO picket line. This was after lengthy negotiations between the G&M's TERRY FOSTER and NALGO's Branch Secretary, JOHN PEARSON. Knowing that there would be a picket when he arrived to open up, BILL told his boss, GLYN HOWARTH, that he wouldn't be coming in at all. HOWARTH, who is a NALGO member, turned up at *6 a.m.* and opened the TOWN HALL himself. "I'm the official key-holder", he told angry NALGO pickets. It seems possible that HOWARTH could be "branched" by the union. If he is drummed out, he could lose his job, as TAMESIDE COUNCIL operate a "closed shop".
There was no proper safety cover in the TOWN HALL on the Day of Action. The Engineer in charge was on strike. At 1.15 p.m. the Fire Alarm sounded, but there was no evacuation. But who set it off??

BUT WHERE DID THEY LEAD THE MARCH?
MIKE RAWCLIFFE, who organised the march on behalf of N.U.P.E., directed the protest into the derelict LADYSMITH BARRACKS. It was an eerie experience walking between theBarracks Gates, and many were angry at being prevented from walking straight to the HOSPITAL itself. Apparently, when RAWCLIFFE told the POLICE about the route of the march in advance, as required by the new GREATER MANCHESTER ACT, they asked the HOSPITAL if it was alright. But all over the country, NHS bureaucrats were under strict instructions from NORMAN FOWLER, the MINISTER refusing to negotiate with the health workers, not to allow any assemblies in their grounds.

It nowappears that RAWCLIFFE was offered a school playing fields by a local school governor. He turned them down because his speaking platform was already set up. Thus, the symbolic nature of the protest was wasted as we all stood amongst the weeds and the cracking concrete at the Barracks. *But after the speeches, the majority of marchers completed their protest by walking home through the HOSPITAL grounds...*

HUMOUR PLAYED A BIG PART in the event. Despite having to wait for some time before the march moved off, spirits were high. Ancillary workers from TAMESIDE GENERAL Sewing Room joked about what they would spend their back pay on - when it arrived. "I'll be able to afford a hair-do like MRS. THATCHER's" - everyone groaned loudly. At the Rally, MIKE RAWCLIFFE, N.U.P.E. full-time official, mentioned THATCHER's varicose vein operation, done privately. "I think they were looking for her brains", he suggested.

Leeches

The new TAMESIDE PRIVATE MEDICAL CENTRE has been set up by ten TAMESIDE hospital Consultants.
DR. WILLIAM OATES GOLDTHORP - Consultant Gynaecologist was quick to set up the CENTRE, following the TORY Government's 1980 circular that allows Consultants to spend up to 10% of their time on private practice. He gathered around him the top Consultants from the TAMESIDE GENERAL HOSPITAL and made them all Directors with ten shares each. They have set up shop at 48 MANCHESTER ROAD, ASHTON, in a large rambling Victorian detached house. It costs them £600 each to rent.
This new Consultants Employment Agency will enable these dedicated men to boost their already substantial salaries to a sum not unadjacent to £20,000-upwards. They will earn this by performing operations on people prepared to pay, with the result that NHS patients have an even longer wait for their treatment.
The CENTRE's patients are referred to the Consultants by local G.P.s or health insurance schemes such as BUPA

EYE spoke to one local hospital Consultant, not involved in private practice. He said that he felt private medicine is in "the worst interests of the patients", and very damaging to the National Health Service.
** The PRIVATE MEDICAL CENTRE TEN are:-*
JOHN ROBERTS; SALIM KAHN; BRIAN BOYES; MAHENDRA CHOPRA; ZULFE SAYED; MURTALA HUSAINI; FRED OLIVER; JOHN BEDFORD; VICTOR WHEBLE; and WILLIAM GOLDTHORP.

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OLYMPIC CONTAINERS

Wage Cut Accepted

In 1980 the massive BOWATERS paper-to-print group sold off their BREDBURY packaging firm to OLYMPIC CONTAINERS LIMITED. Last October, the work-force was awarded a 5% pay rise. A month later it was withdrawn...

OLYMPIC CONTAINERS produce paper and board cartons and tubes. They make the container for the own-brand cornflour of the highly profitable SAINSBURY's supermarket chain. National custom gives them a turnover in excess of £1 million and despite the recession - along with packaging firms in general- OLYMPIC's trade has held up.
Last October, with inflation running in double figures, management awarded OLYMPIC's workers a 5% pay increase. The next month this was withdrawn.
Instead, management 'offered' unspecified redundancies *OR* 2½ hours off the working week. Hemmed in by the prospect of a life on the dole and not being able to challenge management claims about the state of the firms finances, everyone accepted what was in effect a 7½% cut in wages. OLYMPIC's earnings are now well below the paper and print industry's average of £154.22 per week.

This year, a new Managing Director ROBERT EDWARDS arrived. He inherited a non-unionised workforce of about 30 people. Quizzed by EYE on this he said he would 'welcome a trade union.' Nonetheless, the firm has a 'works committee' whose docile approach doesn't cause EDWARDS any problems.
Recently, during the summer OLYMPIC took on a few students. Their questions about the poor pay and the absence of a proper union irritated the supervisor FRED TAYLOR. Some of them didn't stay long.

Up to 1981 EYE could find no company accounts for the firm. OLYMPIC CONTAINERS LTD., according to the latest publicly available information had never traded. It appears the firm is part of OLYMPIC PACKAGING GROUP LTD., whose directors live in the south-east of England.

IMPERIAL METALS

Fair Shares?

The owners of a STALYBRIDGE firm have just announced a half yearly profit, after tax, of £4 million. On Oct. 25th the whole lot will be shelled out to the shareholders.

IMI RANGE are part of a massive multi-national company, IMPERIAL METAL INDUSTRIES P.L.C. In MAY EYE revealed that one of IMI's Directors was on £1,359 a week last year. Now IMI are throwing money at their shareholders, by paying out a dividend of £4 million to them, leaving only £100,000 for the firm's reserves or investment.
This is despite CHAIRMAN SIR ROBERT CLARK's own gloomy outlook, in a year when IMI nationally have shed another 650 workers. Locally, things are slowing down - especially in the section making standard hot water cylinders.

Nobody's buying houses so the trade is not buying IMI RANGE cylinders.

CLOUGHS MINERAL WATERS

Long Hours — Low Wages

HYDE's fizzy drinks seller STEPHEN CLOUGH works his delivery teams hard for a basic wage plus commission. His son, MARK says they are " indifferent" to unions.....

STEPHEN CLOUGHS brightly-painted red and yellow wagons deliver soft drinks to about 10,000 doors in TAMESIDE and the surrounding area. He is supplied with fizz and cordials by 'AA' who occupy premises near to CLOUGHS in GODLEY, HYDE.
About 15 men do the CLOUGHS deliveries. They work from Wednesday to Sunday, starting at 8.30am in the week and an hour earlier at weekend. It's rare for them to take a lunch break during the round, whilst a 10 -12 hour day is not uncommon. MARK CLOUGH told EYE that this is the only way they can get in the sales. The delivery wagons are "R" registration or older. Unnecessary expenditure on new vehicles is not part of the CLOUGH approach, although they are apparently due to move to better premises soon.

The van lads, often 16-18 year olds are paid a min. wage of £30. The drivers are on £60 min. Deductions for any shortages that crop up are taken out of wages, to 'prevent temptation.' If the delivery team sell more than 200 dozen minerals in the week, they get a commission of 20p. per dozen extra sales. MARK CLOUGH said that teams can 'double their money' and referred to £120 per week wage packets for drivers who worked hard. On our reckoning a driver would have to sell 500 dozen minerals to receive such a wage. Staff turnover at CLOUGHS is rapid. Nonetheless, MARK CLOUGH says the firm is still 'trying to find work for as many as we can'. Asked about the absence of any trade union, MARK said. 'If our employees want to join a trade union they can.' Pressed on the point, he concluded he was 'indifferent to unions.' MARK went on: *"We dont expect to see anything in print. I should have put your mind at rest."*
He has. If you enjoy long hours for low pay, in poor working conditions, CLOUGHS is just what you're after.

JAMES NORTH

The French Connection

GEORGE GEE, the HYDE glove and safety wear firm's PRODUCTION DIRECTOR has always blamed 'foreign competition' for the firm's inability to grant better wages.
It used to be HONG KONG but recently GEE switched to FRANCE...

In EYE 32 of April this year we revealed that JAMES NORTHS owners SIEBE GORMAN HOLDINGS LTD also own the EAST ASIA PROTECTIVE PRODUCTS CO. LTD. In addition we noted the quantities of glove linings and leather gloves imported by NORTHS from HONG KONG. Clearly GEORGE GEE was upset about the rug being pulled for he was accustomed to blaming such far-away competitors for all his troubles.
But, refreshed after a golfing trip with SIEBE boss EDWIN BARRIE STEPHENS, GEORGE has bounced back. *Now it's all the fault of the FRENCH.*
Sorry, GEORGE. This won't work either, for it appears that SIEBE GORMAN are putting JAMES NORTHS HYDE in competition with

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LIBERALS LASHED

Who'd be a LIBERAL on TAMESIDE COUNCIL? The only thing that unites LABOUR and TORY members in council meetings is their delight in persecuting DROYLSDEN's Liberal Councillors, MARK HUNTER and CAROLINE JOHNSON.
Labour leader ROY OLDHAM and ex-Tory leader COLIN "NUTS" GRANTHAM both gave HUNTER a tongue lashing, accusing him of being parochial, and told him he would need to widen his horizons beyond DROYLSDEN if he was ever to be a successful councillor (like them)
Meanwhile MRS JOHNSON was just returning to her seat after a visit to the little girls' room, when she paused for a chat with a LABOUR Cllr. Tyrant-MAYOR PHIL WARNE was having none of this. Pausing only to silence MOSSLEY Councillor GEOFF BRIERLEY, he bellowed at the unfortunate LIBERAL; "There's already one debate in this chamber, now either sit down or get out!"

ROY DOWN A POT HOLE

ROY OLDHAM, our Leader, is furious with GREATER MANCHESTER COUNCIL.
They want to take away the HIGHWAYS AGENCY that Tameside Council operates on their behalf.
Unfortunately, our ROY can't stomach the prospect of his Empire shrinking. Ironically, it's a 'fraternal' set of Labour County Councillors who've made the decision, in an attempt to improve on the appalling state of our roads. But ROY's found himself alone down a pot - hole.
For, at a special meeting of TAMESIDE DISTRICT LABOUR PARTY on 5th Sept. feeling amongst members was so strong (sic) on the issue, that only a handful of delegates turned up - making the meeting inquorate !
In desperation ROY promised TAMESIDE's Labour County Councillors he'd make sure they wouldn't stand again - unless they voted the way he wanted at GMC.
If ROY had but paused for reflection he'd have been pleased to get rid of a political 'hot potato'.
Bad roads lose votes.

BELLSPEAK

We're beginning to think he does it on purpose!
GEE CROSS Councillor JOHN "Ding dong" BELL certainly has a way with words. Expressing his irritation with fellow council members who fail to stick to the point, he was moved to accuse them of going off *"on a tandem"!*

LAST STAND

When DROYLSDEN's PHIL WARNE became MAYOR, he had some surprising backers. Left LABOUR Councillors voted him in, who wouldn't normally give him him the time of day.
The reason? A behind-the-scenes deal whereby our PHIL agreed to finally depart the COUNCIL Chamber quietly, in return for a year of glory as MAYOR.
Now PHIL has announced he wants to stand for COUNCIL again next May, leaving the prople who voted him in fuming.
PHIL, of course, knows there isn't a thing they can do.
After all, it's not down in writing.

PRAYER MEETING

Are you depressed? Do you work in Lebanon? Do you work in the media? Your troubles are over. As of 5 pm. on Tuesday afternoon, 21st of September, fortune should be smiling on you.
At full council you were included in a wide-ranging group of people for whom our Councillors were told to pray by the MAYOR's Chaplain, REV WILLIAMSON, a callow and unimpressive youth whose prayers sound as though they were written by a computer programmer.

HOUSING BENEFITS

If you are on supplementary benefit you might be wondering what is going to happen to the amount you will receive each week.

From November there is a new Govt. scheme called Unified Housing Benefits.

1. If you are on Supplementary Benefit and live in a council house, and the amount you have coming in each week is less than the Govt. says you can manage on. The Social Security will cover your basic needs, but not your rent and rates.
Instead of paying anything towards the rent and rates the Social will send a note to the council telling them to meet 100% of your "eligible housing costs." You should then get a note from the council telling you that your rent and rates will be covered by Housing benefits.
If you own your own house, or are paying off a mortgage, your rates (for the moment) will be covered by Housing Benefit from the council.
For private tenants, or people who live in Housing Association properties, a cash amount will be paid to cover your rent and rates.
Where the council collects water rates with the rent, they will allow the full amount, but otherwise it will be included in the Supplementary Benefit and paid by the DHSS.

NEW SCHEME

2. If the amount of Supplementary Benefit you receive is less than your rent and rates, you will automatically be transferred to the Housing Benefit scheme, and be allowed a percentage of your housing costs.
3. If you do not get Supplementary Benefit you will still be able to get Rent and Rates Rebates under the Housing Benefit scheme. For those presently entitled to Rent & Rates Rebates, and who are housed by the council, the Rebate will be deducted directly from your gross rent and rates. If you are a private or Housing Association tenant you will get a cash allowance towards the rent and rates. It won't come from the D.H.S.S. but from the council.
People who are owner - occupiers will have their Rates Rebates deducted from their gross rates. Payments for mortgage interest will still come from the D.H.S.S.
Not everybody is going on the new scheme at once. It is only people whose council house tenancies are in a single name who are affected in November. Joint tenants (except husband and wife) and everyone else will go on the scheme in April '83.

If, after the scheme starts, you do not think that you are getting what you are entitled to, write and ask the D.H.S.S. for a copy of form A124. This form gives a breakdown, and explanation of how your benefit is worked out.

If you still don't think it is right, get some advice !

Sorry just testing

Our humble apologies to all those who read last month's RIGHTS column and tried to ring TAMESIDE VOLUNTEER bureau to offer their services. TVB's No. is 339 2345. Thanks also to one, Mr. CROMER, from TELEPHONE ENGINEERS for pointing out that we had accidentally printed one of their testing numbers !

COUNCI££OR$ EXPENE

Here is TAMESIDE EYE's Annual Survey of the expenses claimed by your local councillors. Last year, between April 1981 and March '82, a total of £40,652.10 winged its way from the COUNCIL's coffers to meet their claims for attendance at meetings, telephone and travel on official business.

Honour

Opinion is divided about COUNCILLORS EXPENSES. Some Councillors claimed nothing at all in line with those outside the COUNCIL CHAMBER who argue that the honour of being elected to public office is payment enought. Yet, last year EYE was inundated with angry complaints from COUNCILLORS (and their spouses) about our 'unfair' reporting. Our expenses sheet, they said, left out other more vital statistics.

Vital

What about, they cried, those Councillors in work who suffer loss of earnings for attending committee meetings? And those unemployed COUNCILLORS who lose dole money, as they are unavailable for work? And those in the Public Sector who have to give their Attendance Allowance to their employer?

So, EYE, offered them the 'right of reply'. But not one COUNCILLOR (or supporter) came forward with a letter stating the *obvious* counter-argument, namely,

£389·34

COUNCILLORS should be paid, like M.P.'s to keep proper grip on the antics of the COUNCIL's all - powerful CHIEF EXECUTIVE, the bearded DAVID SPIERS and his bevy of CHIEF OFFICERS.

Yet EYE knows of several (Labour) Councillors who believe they should be salaried policy-makers of that multi-million pound operation, TAMESIDE COUNCIL.

Why are they so reluctant to make their views public? Perhaps its another case of votes being more important than principle...

How much they claimed

The amounts listed below are for ATTENDANCE ALLOWANCE and TRAVEL only; they don't include the £3,429.54 spent on COUNCILLORS telephones (an average of about £60 each).

ROY ABBEY	629.08
FRED ADSHEAD	604.40
JESSE AMOR	NIL
PETER BAILEY	1044.28
MIKE BALLAGHER	230.08
JOHN BELL	881.91
ANNIE BOOTH	186.00
DAVID BOYLE	365.45
GEOFF BRIERLEY	419.96
ERIC CLARK	1430.28
ROBIN DENYER	540.91
JIMMY EASON	996.38
LENA EASON	622.12
JOE FITZPATRICK	962.37
DENNIS FOGG	995.84
GLYN FORD	1207.90
RON FOSTER	970.37
MIKE FOWLER	NIL
COLIN GRANTHAM	389.34
LES GREENOUGH	400.58
JOHN HALES	771.02
PAT HASLAM	670.86
GEORGE HATTON	1087.54
JOHN HOWARD	303.25
JOHN HUGHES	627.80
MARK HUNTER	334.96
DENNIS JACKSON	132.74
JACK LILLEY	596.58
TOM MARSDEN	826.42
CHARLES MEREDITH	679.30
GEORGE NEWTON	1578.52
ROY OLDHAM	691.46
JACK PETTIT	1137.17
EDITH PROCTOR	748.95
KENNETH RAE	681.82
LESLIE REDFERN	134.96
FRANK RUFFLEY	699.56
KATH SHAW	462.50
RAY SLAMON	1007.34
PAUL SMITH	1915.32
PAUL SPEAKMAN	389.83
HARRY STACHINI	1354.70
ALLEN STELFOX	1202.29
SYLVIA SWIFFIN	842.36
JACK THORNLEY	NIL
PHIL TOMLINSON	589.08
PERCY TRAVIS	1756.48
JOHN TURNER	111.92
MARTIN WAREING	307.52
PHIL WARNE	382.24
JOE WEBB	NIL
KEN WILKINSON	594.26
PHIL WILKINSON	NIL
BILL WILKINSON	NIL
PAUL WOOLGER	337.02
BRYAN WRIGHT	1237.72

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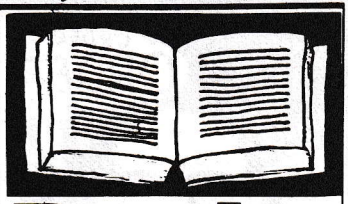

Books

"PLANNING A CLAIMANTS UNION EH ?" by S. Rawlinson and C. Richardson. 80 pages. Price £1.

Anyone who has suffered unemployment knows about waiting; spending hours and hours in a D.H.S.S. office before being seen. This book won't stop you waiting, but it could get you more benefits at the end of your wait.

The book has been produced by the Claimants Union of Tameside and appears to be aimed primarily at Social Security claimants elsewhere, urging them to set up their own Claimants Unions (C.U.s) in their own areas. At the same time, it tells us a lot about the process of claiming; what a complicated business it is, and how you probably won't get all you are entitled to unless you know the regulations.

The book begins by explaining what C.U.s are for and what they are. They exist to help claimants get as much as possible from the Department of Health and Social Security.

The C.U.s say that a large number of people do not get what they are entitled to, and that this is due largely to the fact that a claimant is just an individual facing a big organisation (the DHSS). The organisation knows all the rules, and the individual doesn't. So claimants cannot ask for everything they are entitled to, because they don't have the knowledge. The authors of the book say that the answer is for the claimants to have their own organisation to back them, i.e. a C.U.

Altogether, this is a very comprehensive and informative book. It is obtainable from Claimants Union of Tameside, c/o 6 Milk Street, Hyde.

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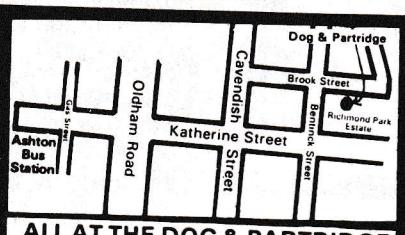

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WHAT'S ON IN & AROUND TAMESIDE

FOOTBALL

The local football fixtures list for Oct. is as follows:-

ASHTON
2nd Oct Lancaster A
9th " Glossop H
16th " Burscough A
23rd " F.A. Trophy
30th " Darwen A

CELTIC
2nd Oct Accrington A
9th " Prescot C H
16th " Winsford A
23rd " F.A. Torphy
30th " Curzon A

DROYLESDEN
2nd Oct Kirby H
9th " Prescot BI A
16th " Salford H
23rd " Chadderton A
30th " Padiham H

GLOSSOP
2nd Oct Darwen H
9th " Ashton A
16th " Penrith H
23rd " F.A. Cup
30th " Formby H

CURZON
2nd Oct Nantwich H
9th " Formby A
16th " Leyland H
23rd " F.A.Trophy
30th " Stalybridge H

MOSSLEY
2nd Oct Grantham H
6th " Southport A
9th " Worksop T A
11th " Buxton H
16th " Tamworth H
19th " Netherfield A
23rd " Marine H
30th " F.A. Cup

HYDE
2nd Oct Morcambe A
4th " Marine H
9th " Burton Albion H
13th " Liverpool A
16th " Netherfield A
18th " Gateshead H
23rd " F.A.Cup
26th " Buxton A
30th " Worksop H

At Last!

Echoes of old Bangs were heard in COUNCIL this month, as STALYBRIDGE Cllr KEN RAE described the filthy state of the old CHEMSTAR site at CARRBROOK. The owners, PENNINE COMMERCIAL HOLDINGS LTD, one of the KNOTT family firms, now face three notices under the Public Health Act ordering them to clean up their bomb-site and to brick up the windows to stop deadly asbestos dust getting into the atmosphere. Whilst local papers have jumped in on the act, no-one has asked why it has taken so long to take this action. EYE reported the presence of asbestos months ago; the firemen involved in putting the blaze out, reported it at the time.

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POISON CLOUD PROBE

Deadly dust shock

ADVERTISER, SEPTEMBER '82.

Asbestos order 'not a panic measure'

REPORTER, SEPTEMBER '82.

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firms they own on the Continent. Such as COMISET in France and ISP in Hamburg, Germany. Both of which used to be part of the old NORTHS set-up.

Meanwhile GEORGE's attempts to get a 20% productivity rise in the powder plant for an extra £1.30 per week have fallen on deaf ears. The trendy 'secret ballot' GEE insisted on, which included non members of NUFLAT, the firms union, produced a devastating 80 - 9 rejection of GEE's plan. He's now threatening yet more redundancies.

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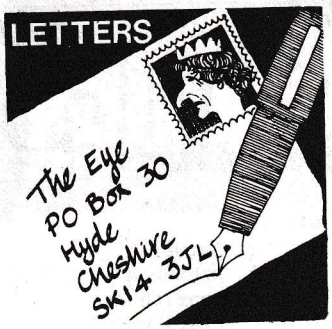

Claimants

DEAR EYE,
Like many others, we supported the Health Workers on their Day of Action on 22nd Sept.
After all they are being tarred with the same brush as we claimants, that we are all scroungers who are being unnecessarily supported by the State.
This is absolute rubbish.
The workers in the public sector have been made the scapegoats of society for too long. Together with claimants, civil servants, nurses, local authority workers, and indeed almost everyone who depends directly on the state for their livelihood, they have become the burden of successive administrations' inability to treat the low-paid fairly.
As representatives of those who depend on the welfare state, we are only too well aware of the appalling effects if services are reduced further. We are in danger of a return to the 'dark ages' of private medicine and the uncaring, mercenary attitude that would follow.
This country used to boast one of the best 'caring' societies in the world, and I would urge those affected by Govt. cuts to support the T.U.C. and the health workers.
Yours sincerely,
STEVE RAWLINSON
Chairman, Claimants Union of Tameside,
c/o 6 Milk St., Hyde.

Madness

DEAR EYE,
I am saddened by the constant threats of housing estates and motorways taking away valuable countryside, as so little remains in the area. In such an industrial district it is essential that the countryside is preserved to "sweeten our sore eyes" and for the sake of wildlife and future generations.

The planned Manchester Outer Ring Road will cause havoc: it is already slicing through the Goyt Valley in Stockport.
It will rip through the Tame Valley, then across Denton/Fairfield golf courses, Ashton Moss and the Medlock Valley in the Daisy Nook area. This planned madness has to be stopped. To me, turning places into solid concrete masses provokes frustration and a feeling of being bricked in. These things can lead to violence, especially amongst young people. To look upon green fields makes the heart grow more mellow. This motorway must never come into reality.

Yours sincerely,
PAUL REECE,
50 Town Lane,
DENTON.

A Solicitor writes

DEAR EYE,
My attention has been drawn to the article in September's edition of TAMESIDE EYE entitled "legal steps" concerning the lack of facilities which Tameside solicitors have for dis - abled persons.
Through the course of its work my firm has cause to deal with many clients who are disabled for a variety of reasons, e.g. accident at works, physical disabilities, etc.
Whilst we cannot claim to be on the ground floor and provide the detailed facilities which are required by the Greater Manchester Legal Services, we have a policy that any clients who are unable to negotiate our single flight of steps are offered the opportunity of a home visit.

We feel that this is a better type of service than asking disabled clients to travel.
We are conscious that last year was the International Year of the Disabled and we are well aware of the needs and services required by disabled clients.
Yours faithfully,

DARRYL NOLAN
JACK THORNLEY (Solicitor)
214 Stamford St.,
Ashton U Lyne.

Hallo Readers!

You will remember - I am sure- those Florence Nightingale-like ladies from the TROPIQUE massage parlour on STAMFORD ST. STALYBRIDGE, whose saintly faith-healing hands gave relief to many local business men who suffer, like myself, from severe prostate trouble. Until, that is, our heathen constabulary took it upon themselves to prosecute those blessed priestesses for offering what they claimed was relief of a different and somewhat cruder kind.
Oh godless plods!
Well, you will imagine *my* relief when I heard of HANS KOORNSTRA's miracle campaign currently being held at that centre of arcane and mystic knowledge, HYDE TOWN HALL.
The Great and Godly Hans- I read- undertakes to cure all affliction via a mysterious combination of prayer and 'laying on of hands.' Feeling sure that any such miracle campaign must have its quota of exotic priestesses to help out with the laying on I took myself along to HYDE town hall and declared myself to be a humble seeker after relief from my debilitating prostate pains.
Hans relieved me of a fiver (for, I understand, the lease on that nightclub in HAMBURG that holy Hans wishes to open in order to attract sinners whose souls need saving) and proceeded to pray.
So far so good. And then came the laying on of hands. I waited for the priestesses to come forward.
But they didn't.
And then imagine my sense of outrage when I discovered that I was expected to lay my own hands on the offending spot.
How disgusting !
I immediately reported back to my good friend LADY DOREEN FONDUE SET, the President for life of THE HYDE AND GEE CROSS ladies sexual abstention league who penned a stiff letter to our Council leader ROY OLDHAM demanding that the depraved onanistic practices of this teutonic guru be stopped forthwith.

Wretch

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WHAT'S ON IN & AROUND TAMESIDE

This month sees the start of a new feature in the Whats On section of the paper. Starting with 'Kids' in October it is hoped to devote some space to events concerning particular members of the community. For instance, senior citezans, Mums and tots, the unemployed etc. If you have any ideas for the inprovement of this section please let us know See back of paper for details of address and tel no.

WEST END COMMUNITY CEN.
John St. Ashton U Lyne
339 - 2728
Mon & Wed 7.30pm -10pm
Senior Youth Clun
13yrs + welcome
Adm: 20p
Membership 25p per year.

Thurs 7pm - 9 pm
Junior Youth Club
7 - 13 years welcome
Adm: 15p
Membership 25p per year

Unemployed Club
Mon & Wed 10am - 4pm
Cheap meals available at lunchtime.

HAUGHTON GREEN YOUNG PEOPLES CENTRE.
061 320 5658

Mon/Tues/Wed
7.15pm - 10.15pm.
Senior Youth Club
13 - 21 years.
Adm 20p

Thurs pm
Junior Youth Club.
Under 13 years .
Adm 15p
Unemployed Club
Daily 10.30am -3.30pm.

ASH ROAD YOUTH CLUB
Droylsden
370 1326
Tue/Thur 7,30-10pm
Senior Youth Club (14-21)
Adm: 15p
Tue 3.30 -5.30pm
5-9 Junior club
Adm 10p
Thur. 5.30-7.30
10-13 Jnr.club
Adm.10p

FAIRFIELD YOUTH CLUB
370 1383
Mon/Wed/Thur

7.30 - 10pm
Senior Club (over 14)
Adm 15p
Membership 25p per year.
Junior Youth Club
(under 14's)
Mon/Thur.
5.30 - 7.30 Adm: 10p
membership 25p per year

DENTON YOUTH CLUB
061 366 4881
Youth Club re-opens on Wed 1st Sept.
Senior Clun Mon,Wed, Thur, Fri. 13yrs upwards.
Junior Clun. Tues: 7 - 13 years.
Multimillion club (for unemployed) Open daily from 10.30 a.m.
Every Thurs. commencing Sept. 2nd Mums and Co., a mother and toddler group. 10.30am - 1pm.
ALL WELCOME

RYECROFT YOUTH CLUB
330 0060
This club is at the present time in the process of reorganisation. It is intended to re-opem towards the end of Oct. at a different venue and with a bright new package of ideas. More info next month.

HYDE YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE, Bennet St. Hyde
368 6372
Mon/Wed/Thur
Senior Youth Club 13 + welcome Adm: 20p
Tues 7pm - 9pm
Junior Youth Club
9 - 13 years welcome
Adm: 15p
Unemployed Club
Mon/Thur 1.30 - 4pm
Adm: FREE

COPLEY YOUTH AND COMM. CENTRE 338 6230
Tue/Wed/Fri nights
Senior Youth Club
14-21 years
ADM: 15p members
25p non members
60p per year membership
Mon night
Junior Youth Club(8-13yrs)
Adm 10p members
15p non members
25p per year membership
Thurs night Judo classes
All ages welcome
N.B. This club is closed at the present time due to ill health. Please contact Tameside Youth and Community Dept. for details of club re-opening 061 330 8355

MILLBROOK YOUTH & COMM. CENTRE. 338 3533
Tue 7.30 - 10pm
Thur 8 - 10pm.
Senior Youth Club
ADM: Members 15p.
Non members 30p
Membership 50p per year
Intermediate Youth Club
(11 - 15 years)
Adm 12p members
24p non members
40 per year membership
Junior Club
7-13 years
Mon/Thur. 6pm-8pm
Adm.10p members
20p non members.
30 p per year m/ship

Other activities in the centre inclue
Unemployed group
Tue-Thur 1pm-4pm
Mon 12-2pm luncheon club - could do with more support.
ADM: FREE

Mums and Toddlers
Wed afternoon 1.30pm onwards ADM: Free
Handicapped Group:
Tue/Thur afternoons
Adm: FREE

Playschool
3-5 years every morning
9.30am- 11.30am
contact centre for further details

Badminton Club
Fri 8pm - 10pm
Bingo Fri 8pm - 10pm

HATTERSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE 368 8513
Mon/Tue/Thur
7pm - 10pm
Senior Youth Club
(14 - 21 years)
Membership -
Adm 15p.
Wed 4pm - 7pm
Junior Club 7 - 11 yrs
Adm:
Wed 7pm - 9pm
Junior Club 11-14 yrs
Adm:

COLISEUM THEATRE
Oldham 624 2892
9th Oct - 23rd Oct.
7.30pm Tues-Sat
'SKYHOOKS'
By Alan Plater
*world premier
Sat £2.25, £3, £3.75
weekdays £2 £2.75
£3.50
concessions £1.60.

Tameside

Tameside College of Technology,Main Hall.
6th Oct. 12.45 pm.
SPARE TYRE THEATRE CO.,
Further details contact Mike Rooke at the college
Tel. 330 6911

DOG & PARTIRIDGE
Brook St. Ashton

Fri 15th Oct.
8.30p.m.
STAND AND DELIVER present
Poetry Xpress with Little Brother, Seething Wells, Joolz, and Wild Willy Beckett.
plus excellent electric music.
Adm.30p

Fri 29th Oct. 8.30pm
'STAND AND DELIVER' presents Desmond and Dorothy Fairybreath.
30p adm.

GUIDE BRIDGE THEATRE
Audenshaw
338 4881
16th - 23rd Oct
7.45pm
THE RIVALS
R.B. SHERIDAN 18th C. play
(marked opening of Exchange Theatre in M/c)
Dir. Alan Kenworthy
10th Anniv. production.
£1.10. 35p. pens.
Thursday only.

TAMESIDE THEATRE
Oldham Rd.,A-U-L.
061 308 3223
18th-23rd Oct. 7.15pm.
Dukinfield Amature Operatic and Dramatic Society present
GLAMOROUS NIGHT
by Ivor Novello
Further details contact theatre.

EGERTON PARK SCHOOL
Egerton Park School
Egerton Street, Denton.
18th Oct 7.30pm
LUDUS DANCE COMPANY present
The Qube
Further details conact the school.

HATTERSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE
061 368 8513
19th Oct. 7.30pm.
LUDUS DANCE COMPANY present The Qube.
Further deails contact the community centre.

GEORGE LAWTON HALL
Mossley.
20th Oct. 7.30pm.
AMIEL - Swiss Mime Artist.
Further details phone Mossley 2223.

TAMESIDE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY, A-U-L.
Main Hall.
Tel330 6911
27th Oct. 12.45pm.
Desmond and Dorothy Fairybreath presnt their own inimitable brand of poetry based entertainment.
Further details contact the college.

TAMESIDE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY, A-U-L.
20th Oct.
LUNCH-TIME DISCO
12.45 pm.
Further details Tel 330 9611

OLD CHAPEL SCHOOL
Pickford Ln.,Dukinfield
28th-30th Oct. 7.30pm.
Old Chapel Dramatic Soc., present a musical entertainment -
A TRIBUTE TO ....
Further details contact Tameside Libaries and Arts
Tel 061 330 8355 Ext 3437

Manchester

THOMPSONS ARMS
Sackville St.Manchester
Thurs 7th Oct. 8pm
SPARE TYRE THEATRE CO. present
ON THE SHELF
a three-woman musical cabaret which takes a funny and satyrical look at marriage, families and the American dream.
£1.50 adm.
£1.25 concessions.

CONTACT THEATRE
Devas St.Manchester
061 273 5696
6th Oct-30th Oct.
7.30pm
'BRECHT' By
Peter Fieldson
A world premier this is a biographical account of the life and times of one of the greatest writers of this century.
Adm.£3.50 and £2.50
Concessions £2.25/£1.50

BIRCH COMMUNITY CENTRE
Brighton Grove, Rusholme
Sat 9th Oct. 8pm
SPARE TYRE THEATRE CO present
ON THE SHELF
£1.50, £1.25 concessions.

LESSER FREE TRADE HALL
Peter Street Manchester 3.
Wed. 13th Oct. 7.30pm
7.84 (England) Theatre Co. present
'REJOICE' by John McGrath
£2, £1.50 concession

LESSER FREE TRADE HALL

The story of three mountain women living together in Virginia in the 1940's.
£2 adm. £1.50 conc.

BIRCH COMMUNITY CENTRE
Brighton Grove. Rusholme
Sat 16th Oct. 8pm
SPLIT BRITCHES CO. present
'BEAUTY AND THE BEASTE'
A vaudeville revue based loosley on the fairy tale
£2 adm. £1.50 concs.

LESSER FREE TRADE HALL
Peter St. Manchester 3
Fri 22nd Sat 23rd Oct.
7.30p.m.
MRS. WORTHINGTON's DAUGHTER's present
'ALISONS HOUSE' By Susan Glaspell
A play about Emily Dickinson set in the last hours of the 19th century
Ad: £2, £1.50 conces.

ST. JOHNS COLLEGE
Lower Hardman St.
(Opp Granada TV)
Salford M3.
Thur. 28th and Fri 29th Oct. 7.30pm.
PIT PROP THEATRE CO present
'WHERE THE FENIANS SLEEP'
by Eileen Murphy
£1.50 adm. £1.25 concs½

THE THOMPSON ARMS
Sackville St. M3Cr.1
Sat 30th Oct. 8pm
Folkbeard Fantasy and Ian Dagger present
"AN ECCENTRIC EVENING"
featuring poety, cartoon film, slide show - ghost story performance
£1.50 adm. £1.25 concs.

BIRCH COMMUNITY CENTRE
Rusholme M/cr.
Sat 9th Oct. 10.30pm

FUNBAGS THEATRE CO
in FALKLAND FOLLIES
£1 proceeds to Long-sight Labour Party.
info: 7 Scarsdale Rd.
Victoria Park.
Tel 225 5695

Thur 14th, Fri 15th Oct.
7.30pm
SPLIT BRITCHES CO (USA) present
'SPLIT BRITCHES'

EXCHANGE THEATRE
St. Annes Sq. M/cr
833 9333
Fri 8th Oct. 11.15pm
JOHN SESSIONS on stage at the Royal Exchange Theatre
One man show.
Tel; booking office for details of prices.

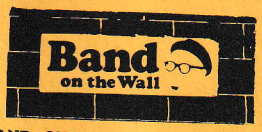
THE EXCHANGE THEATRE
St. Annes Sq.M/cr.
833 9333
14th Oct- 13th Nov
'Lord Arthur Savilles Crime' by Oscar Wilde
Adapted by Constance Cox Directed by Eric Thompson.
Refer to box office for adm.prices.

FORUM THEATRE
Civic Centre, Wythenshawe
437 9663
29th Sept-23rd Oct.
7.30 pm
'STAGS AND HENS'
By Willy Russell.
Set in the ladies and gents of a local dance hall an affectionate look is taken at the ritualistic custom of stag and hen parties.
Adm. Sat £4. and £3.40
Weekdays £3.40 and £2.80

LIBRARY THEATRE
St. Peters Sq.Manchester
236 7110
20th Oct - 6th Nov.
7.30pm
'TERRA NOVA'
by Ted Tally
The tragic and fascinating story of Scott of the antarctic. Mat. Wed. 27th Oct. Adm. Sat £4. £3.40
weekdays £3.40 and £2.80
Mats £2.20

FRI.8th OCT.

Folk/Blues night in aid of Newton Ward Labour party.
Adamsons Social Club
Johnsonbrook Rd., SK14
Compere: Keith Parry
Music By Kevin Seisay Cosmopolitan.
Price £1. 8.30 - 11.30
BAR



BAND ON THE WALL
Swan St. Manchester
061 832 6625
Mon-Thurs 8.30pm - 1pm
Fri-Sat 8.30pm-2am.
LIVE MUSIC every night except Sundays.
Food available.
Adm prices vary depending on the day of the week and what's on.
Reduced Adm. prices before 8.30pm.

FOLK

THE STATION, Warrington
St. Ashton
Every Mon. evening 8pm
Folk night. Resident Group'The Black Edds' on alternate Mondays.
Singers welcome
Donations.

THE BUTCHERS ARMS Mossley
Every Tues ev. 8pm.
Folk night with well known local and national singers.
Cost varies. Check with organisers for further details.

THE CROSS KEYS
Uppermill.
Every Weds. evening 8.30pm.
Singers club
Donations Welcome.

THE GLOBE HOTEL
High St. West, Glossop.
Every Thurs. evening 8.30pm.
Local and National Artists.
Prices vary depending on what's on - see advert for details.

ROSE AND CROWN
Stalybridge
Every Fri and Sun 9pm
Folk night
Special guest on Fri
Singers night on Sun
Donations welcome.

THE STATION BUFFET
Platform 1
Stalybridge Train Station
Every Sat. Folk Night
Local Artists.
Donations Welcome.

FOLK AT THE GLOBE
The Globe Hotel, High St., Glossop.

Thursdays at 8·30pm.
FUTURE GUESTS:

OCTOBER

7th	EDDIE WALKER
14th	BRAM TAYLOR
21st	NEW BRACKEN BAND
28th	SINGERS NIGHT

Check admission prices with Will Williams, Club Organiser.

CLASSICAL

Astley Cheethams Art Gallery,
Stalybridge.
Wed. 27th Oct.
HALLE WIND QUINTET.
Adm £1.10.
Memorial Chapel,
Albion Church, A-U-L.,
4th Oct. 7.30pm
Tameside Music Society present the
ORION ENSEMBLE

JAZZ

EXCHANGE THEATRE
St. Annes Sq.M/cr
833 9833
Sunday 3rd Oct. 8pm
Jazz at the Exchange presents
MARIAN MONTGOMERY and RICHARD RODNEY BENNETT IN CONCERT.
Tickets £2,£3,£3.60 and £4.25.

BIRCH HALL
Lees,
Oldham
National and Local Artistes

BAND ON THE WALL
Swan Street
Manchester
National and Local Artistes.

THE CORPORATION
Penny Meadow
A-U-L
Local artistes

THE SYCAMORE
Stamford Street
A-U-L
Local artistes.

ROCK

CONCORD SUITE,
Droylesden.
Pop and Rock Night every Friday.

SPREAD EAGLE
Stamford Street,
A-U-L
Heavy Rock.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL
Melbourne Street,
Stalybridge
Heavy Rock, mainly at weekends.

THE ROSE AND CROWN
High St West,
Glossop
All types of Live Music.

DRIFTERS
Sandy Lane,
Dukinfield
Live Bands most Wednesdays.

GEORGE HOTEL
Stamford Rd.,
Mossley
Local Bands.

THE FLAT CAP
John Kennedy Rd.,
Hattersley
Live Bands Sunday Nights.

HUDDERSFIELD CANAL SOCIETY are planning a visit to the Copper mines at ALDERLEY EDGE on Thurs. 28th Oct. People interested in going on the trip should contact Bob Hindley on 061 483 9144 or 061 624 0566 X 341. After the visit there will be a social at the Moss Rose Inn Alderley Edge.

SPORTS CENTRE, Univ.of Keele, Stoke on Trent.
Fri Oct.1. 12noon-6pm
Sat Oct.2. 10am-6pm
Sun Oct.3 10am-5pm
HEART OF ENGLAND CRAFT MARKET
More than 90 craftsmen from all over the country will be displaying their work, all of which will be for sale or to order.
ADM: 50p adults,20p kids.
Tel-WARE 870040

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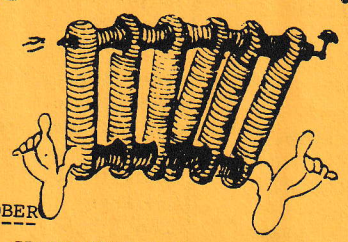

OCTOBER

7th SPARE TYRE in 'ON THE SHELF'
Thompsons Arms 8pm.
9th SPARE TYRE in 'ON THE SHELF'
Birch Community Centre 8pm.
13th 7.84(ENGLAND) in 'REJOICE'
Lesser Free Trade Hall 7.30pm.
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22nd/23rd MRS. WORTHINGTONS DAUGHTERS in 'ALISONS HOUSE'
Lesser Free Trade Hall 7.30pm.
28th/29th PIT PROP in 'WHERE THE FENIANS SLEEP'
St. Johns College 7.30pm.
30th FORKBEARD FANTASY andIAN DAGGER
The Thompsons Arms 8pm.

W.E.A. COURSES 1982 /3
What is the W.E.A?

The Workers Educational Association is a voluntary independant body providing courses in a wide variety of non-vocational subjects. It provides opportunities for ordinary men and women with their varied experiences, to meet and study their chosen subjects with tutors of high standing.
The Manchester branch of the WEA works in close co-operation with the extra-mural dept. of the Univ. of Manchester and the M/c Local Education Authority. Many of its classes use the modern facilities for study in the University building.
Classes are normally held between 7 - 9pm (with a few exceptions) and there is ample opportunity for questions and discussions. By joining a class a student automatically becomes a member of the Assoc and is welcome to share in the running of the branch. Fees are as stated with each course.
Half fee for: pensioners, unemployed, Those receiving other state benefits. All full time students on grants There is a 50% reduction for students joining a second class after payment of a full fee for 20 or 24 meeting course.
Any student who finds difficulty in enrolling in advance will still be able to do so at the first or second meeting of a course, except where stated in the course details. For details of the many courses available contact:-

MRS. M. ODDY
3 Ashlyn Grove,
Fallowfield,
Manchester M14 6YD
Or pop into your local library for free literature.

SADDLEWORTH YOUTH CENTRE
Wellington Rd., Greenfield. 633 3205
10 week course commencing Wed 29th Sept. 1.30pm - 3.30p.m.

This course entitled 'Second chance for women' os an informal course offering women a chance to look at their situation identify interests and assist in making decisions about the fugure. Creche available. Organised by Saddleworth branch of W.E.A.
Tel: 633 3205

Continuing in their campaign Glossop and Tameside WELL WOMEN CLINIC CAMPAIGN in conjunction with the W.E.A. present the following series of lectures at Hyde College Union St.,Hyde.
7pm - 9pm
Mon 4th Oct.
How Your Body Works.
Mon 11th Oct.
Cystitis.
Mon 18th Oct.
Fertility and Infertility.
Mon 21st Oct.
Breast and Cervical Cancer; Screening for Cancer in Women.

Glossop School
Talbot Rd., Glossop
Wed Oct 6th. 7.30pm
Lecture of '~~Kivilan~~ Photography' by Colin Perrow
Wed Oct.13th
'Am I a ~~Heater~~' by Ann Neal

Adm £1

Wed Oct 20th
'Stone Circles, Megaliths and Ley lines'
By John Barratt
Wed Oct.27th
'Further steps in T'ai Chi'
By Linda Broda.

HUDDERSFIELD CANAL SOCIETY

HUDDERSFIELD CANAL SOC.,
7th Oct.
Meeting at the Railway Hotel Marsden, 8pm. Meet at 7pm for short tow path walk.
13th Oct.
West Side Meeting at The Cheshire Ring, Hyde. 8pm.
28th Oct.
Meeting at The Grapes, Trippet Lane, Sheffield, 8pm

GREAT CENTRAL RAILWAY SOC.
Manchester Area meeting.
Milton Hall, 244 Deansgate Manchester.
1pm - 4.30pm SAT.OCT.9th
"LONDON RD. STATION BETWEEN THE WARS"
Open to members and non-members.

CITY ART GALLERY
Moseley St. M/cr.
061 236 9422
1st Sept - 30 Oct.
Mon-Sat 10am-6pm
Old Master prints and drawings from DURER to BOUCHER
ADM: FREE

ROYAL EXCHANGE
St.Annes Sq. M/cr.
061 833 9333
Sept.17th - Oct.16th
Exhibition of Ceramics by Dennis Farrell.
ADM: FREE

21st Sept-14th Oct.
An exhibition of water colours by KEN MOSLEY entitled "Water colours in the sun"
ADN: FREE

Further info. Mary Regan
Craft Centre, Royal Exch. Theatre, St.Annes Sq.

Astley Cheetham Art Gallery,
Stalybridge
4th-30th Oct.
BEAVERBROOKS ENGLAND
Exhibition.
Adm Free.
Open Library Hours.

Festival Theatre
Corporation St., Hyde.
6th-9th Oct.
HYDE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOC.
Annual Exhibition.
Adm Free.

Droylesden Library
7th-17th Oct.
VICTORIAN SHEET MUSIC
Exhibition.
Adm Free

Ryecroft Library,
Audenshaw.
6th Oct-8th Nov.
ESKIMO POEPLE
Exhibition
Adm Free
Open library hours.

Hyde library Exhibition Room, Union St., Hyde.
6th Oct-13th Nov.
Drawings and Prints by DAVID LEE.
Adm Free
Open Library Hours.

Hyde Library Exhibition Room, Union St., Hyde.
13th Oct-29th Oct.
Paintings by JOHN SLATER.
Adm Free

Local Cinemas in the Tame side area are:-
PALACE
Market St., Stalybridge.
Tel. 061 338 2156
METRO
Old St., Ashton.
Tel. 061 3301993

THEATRE ROYAL
STUDIOS ONE and TWO
Corporation St., Hyde.
Tel. 061 368 2206

AABEN
Jackson Cres.Hulme
226 1153

Fri 1st Oct & week
UNIT:
1.'My dinner with Andre'A
2.'La Cage au folles'II AA
La Cage au folles 'AA
3.'Onion Field' X
4.'Choir Boys'X

Fri 8th Oct & week
UNIT: 1. 'Circle of Deceit ' X
2. 'Woodstock' AA
3. 'The Boat' AA
4. 'The grass is singing'A
'Union City' A

Fri. Oct 15th & week
UNIT:
1.'The song remains the same' A
2. 'The Rocky horror picture Show ' AA
'Young Frankenstein' AA

3. 'One flew over the cuckoos nest' X
4. 'Lola'

Fri 22nd Oct & week
UNIT: 1. 'Fame' AA
2. 'Apocalypse Now' X
3. 'Roll Over' AA
4. 'The Ritz' X
'The Front' X

Oct 29th and week
UNIT 1.'Pretty Baby'C
'Seducation of Joe Tynon' AA
2. 'Altered State'X
'The Devils'X
3. 'Missing' AA